

arose, Representative Duffy was there to defend the unborn and the value of all life.

As religious liberty issues entered in the debate over the Affordable Care Act—ACA—Representative Duffy fought to keep taxpayer funding from covering abortions in ACA health plans. His opposition was part of his larger effort to oppose taxpayer funding for abortion in any arena, a fight embodied in his support of the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act.

As our Nation a few years later learned of the horrors perpetrated by notorious abortionist Kermit Gosnell, Representative Duffy took to the House floor to highlight the evil of abortion as shown in Gosnell's case.

When videos revealed that Planned Parenthood was illegally selling fetal tissue from aborted babies, Representative Duffy joined his colleagues in calling for an investigation into this travesty. His pro-life leadership role led to an appointment to the House Energy and Commerce Committee's Select Investigative Panel on Planned Parenthood that investigated that organization's illegal fetal tissue sales.

A true pro-life hero, Representative Duffy leads by example in living out his pro-life values. On August 2019, Representative Duffy announced his resignation to focus on his ninth child who was born with heart defects and Down's syndrome.

Representative Duffy, along with his wife Rachel Campos-Duffy, stands as an inspirational example of how to champion pro-life and pro-family values in both public roles and in private lives.

TRIBUTE TO BETHANY KOZMA

Mrs. HYDE-SMITH. Madam President, I rise to recognize Bethany Kozma, former Deputy Chief of Staff at the United States Agency for International Development—USAID. She deserves to be honored for her tireless work during the last administration to execute pro-life, pro-family, and pro-religious freedom policies across USAID.

While her efforts in this regard garnered criticism, Mrs. Kozma remained resolute in advancing the Agency's firm pro-life positions. Her courage is an example to us all to cling tightly to our strongly held values, even in face of criticism.

Standing strong, Mrs. Kozma played an integral role in helping the U.S. Department of State, USAID, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services better synchronize their efforts in countless multilateral negotiations. This synergy helped ensure that the agreements formed by those negotiations did not promote or permit abortion.

In my own work here in the Senate, I know staff members toiling behind the scenes do important work that allows me to do my job successfully. No doubt, that is also true in the executive branch.

The work of dedicated agency staff like Mrs. Kozma was integral to the many pro-life successes of the past administration. Her tireless work helped ensure the United States could lead in pro-life policies abroad. Mrs. Kozma and others like her deserve recognition and our gratitude.

TRIBUTE TO MIKE POMPEO

Mrs. HYDE-SMITH. Madam President, I rise to pay tribute to former Secretary of State Mike Pompeo. During Mr. Pompeo's time at the State Department, he worked tirelessly to defend unborn children around the world. Under then-Secretary Pompeo's leadership, the United States stood as a nation that values all human rights, including the right to life. His bold leadership encouraged other world leaders to join the United States in standing against efforts by some within the United Nations to make abortion on demand an international right.

Mr. Pompeo established his pro-life bona fides during his four terms in the U.S. House of Representatives. During that time, he supported numerous pieces of pro-life legislation, such as the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act and the Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act.

His commitment to the pro-life cause continued in his role as our Nation's top diplomat. A few particular successes stand out.

First, Secretary Pompeo initiated a new compliance mechanism to ensure enforcement of the Mexico City Policy, which prohibits taxpayer dollars from being used for abortion overseas. Under the Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance policy, the State Department would refuse to partner with any foreign organizations involved in supporting abortions. Additionally, these nongovernment organizations will also have to provide certification to the State Department that they are not involved with abortions. This highly successful policy closed an overwhelming proportion of the loopholes that had previously allowed organizations to skirt compliance with the Mexico City Policy.

Second, Secretary Pompeo ensured full enforcement of the Siljander amendment, an annual rider in the State and foreign operations appropriations bill to prohibit the use of U.S. funds, including foreign assistance, to lobby for or against abortion abroad.

Third, the Department of State led the United States to sign the Geneva Consensus Declaration in 2020, which reaffirmed "that there is no international right to abortion." Thirty-three other nations, representing more than 1.6 billion people, also signed the declaration, an achievement that would not have been possible without American leadership on the issue.

Finally, Pompeo's Department of State in 2020 also sanctioned China for its many human rights abuses, including forced abortions and forced sterilizations.

These accomplishments make clear that former Secretary of State Mike Pompeo made true strides in vigorously defending the right to life of the unborn babies around the globe. His endeavors deserve our applause and gratitude.

TRIBUTE TO MORSE TAN

Mrs. HYDE-SMITH. Madam President, I rise to pay tribute to Morse Tan, former Ambassador at Large for Global Criminal Justice, whose dedication to the legal defense of human rights and the rights of the unborn is commendable.

Morse Tan's work to promote these values has spanned the globe. As an expert on North Korea, he has written extensively about the human rights abuses occurring in that country and how those responsible can be held accountable. In his book, "North Korea, International Law and the Dual Crises: Narrative and Constructive Engagement," Tan sheds light on the genocide of Christians in North Korea, focusing specifically on the forced abortions imposed on many North Korean women.

As Ambassador at Large for Global Criminal Justice during the last administration, Ambassador Tan worked to gather evidence of China's repressive treatment of the Uyghurs and other ethnic minorities, including forced abortions and forced sterilizations. Based in part on the Ambassador's work, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo in July 2020 imposed sanctions on Chinese officials because of human rights abuses. Furthermore, Secretary Pompeo determined that China had committed crimes against humanity and genocide against the Uyghurs and other ethnic minority groups, based on the findings of an internal review led by Ambassador Tan.

Ambassador Tan has also undertaken significant work on behalf of the sanctity of life in the United States as well. He has filed amicus briefs in two Supreme Court cases regarding pro-life issues. In *McCorvey v. Hill*, Ambassador Tan coordinated, researched, and edited some 24 amicus briefs on behalf of Norma McCorvey, who was the plaintiff "Jane Roe" in *Roe v. Wade*. In *Cano v. Baker*, he coordinated, researched, and edited 22 amicus briefs on behalf of Sandra Cano, who was the plaintiff "Mary Doe" in *Doe v. Bolton*.

Finally, I hope that Ambassador Tan's work as a law professor in courses such as bioethics, international human rights, and constitutional law will inspire a new generation to take up the legal fight to protect the sanctity of life.

It is an honor to recognize Ambassador Morse Tan for his uncompromising work to defend the right of the unborn babies in courts and to bring justice and accountability for perpetrators of forced abortions around the world.

TRIBUTE TO ANN WAGNER

Mrs. HYDE-SMITH. Madam President, I rise to recognize Congresswoman ANN WAGNER, who represents the Second Congressional District of Missouri in the U.S. House of Representatives. Throughout her tenure in the House; Representative WAGNER has remained an outspoken champion for life. Representative WAGNER has worked to protect unborn life, through her vocal support of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act and so many other pieces of pro-life legislation. Additionally, she has helped lead the charge to prevent taxpayer funding of abortion on-demand.

This public servant's efforts to protect vulnerable children from sexual exploitation and trafficking are particularly inspirational. She has fought hard for legislation that would increase the penalties for criminals who profit from sexual exploitation of innocent children.

Representative WAGNER's commitment to children both inside and outside the womb is commendable. I know I take inspiration from her years of work on behalf of vulnerable children. Therefore, I offer my praise and gratitude for that work as the U.S. Supreme Court takes up *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, a case that could significantly change the landscape in terms of protecting young lives.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO BRANDON BOUCHARD

• Mr. BARRASSO. Madam President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Brandon for his hard work as an intern in the Senate Republican conference. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Brandon is a native of Maryland. He is a graduate of the University of Maryland, College Park, where he studied philosophy, politics, and economics. He has demonstrated a strong work ethic, which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Brandon for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It is a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his journey.●

TRIBUTE TO GARTH OWEN
COSSAIRT

• Mr. BARRASSO. Madam President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Owen for his hard work as an intern in the Energy and Natural Resources Committee. I recognize his efforts and con-

tributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Owen is a native of Laramie. He is a graduate of the University of Wyoming, where he studied mathematics. He has demonstrated a strong work ethic, which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Owen for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It is a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his journey.●

TRIBUTE TO DAVID GIRALT

• Mr. BARRASSO. Madam President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to David for his hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

David is a native of Casper. He is a graduate student at George Washington University, where he is studying legislative affairs. He has demonstrated a strong work ethic, which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank David for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It is a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his journey.●

TRIBUTE TO STEPHEN HANK
HOVERSLAND

• Mr. BARRASSO. Madam President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Hank for his hard work as an intern in the Energy and Natural Resources Committee. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Hank is a native of Casper. He is a student at the University of Wyoming, where he is studying political science and economics. He has demonstrated a strong work ethic, which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Hank for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It is a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his journey.●

TRIBUTE TO MATTHEW LOWE

• Mr. BARRASSO. Madam President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Matthew

for his hard work as an intern in the Senate Republican conference. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Matthew is a native of Oklahoma. He is a graduate of the Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M University, where he studied international affairs. He has demonstrated a strong work ethic, which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Matthew for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It is a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his journey.●

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM TORGERSON

• Mr. BARRASSO. Madam President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Billy for his hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Billy is a native of Riverton. He is a student at Georgetown University, where he is studying government and English. He has demonstrated a strong work ethic, which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Billy for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It is a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his journey.●

ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY
CENTENNIAL

• Mr. BENNET. Madam President, it is my honor to congratulate Adams State University on 100 years of educating students in Alamosa, CO. The school was established on May 4, 1921, as Adams State Normal School by the Colorado Legislature following the tireless advocacy of Colorado State Representative William "Billy" H. Adams. Founded as a teacher's college, Adams State now has more than 3,000 students enrolled in 27 bachelor's degree programs, nine master's degree programs, and one Ph.D. degree program.

Located in the San Luis Valley with deep Hispano roots, Adams State was the first federally designated Hispanic serving institution in Colorado. The school has also fostered an elite distance-running culture over decades after hosting the U.S. Olympic Marathon Trials in August 1968.

Over the past 100 years, Adams State has educated thousands of community leaders, businessowners, doctors, attorneys, farmers and ranchers, and, most